Blue Shield of California Promise Health Plan

Medi-Cal Formulary Changes - Third Quarter of 2019

This report provides formulary changes approved by Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee. For a complete listing, please refer to the Blue Shield Promise website at blueshieldca.com/promise. You may also call Blue Shield Promise at (800) 468-9935.

Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitors

Drug Name	Label Name	Drug Strength	Formulation	Formulary Comments	Medi-Cal
Ramipril	Ramipril	1.25mg, 2.5mg, 5.mg, 10mg	Capsule	Remove age limit	Yes

Antidiabetic Agents, AG Inhibitors

Drug Name	Label Name	Drug Strength	Formulation	Formulary Comments	Medi-Cal
Acarbose	Acarbose	25mg, 50mg,100mg	Tablet	Add to Medi-Cal formulary with quantity limit: QL=12 tablets per day (25mg tablet); 6 tablets per day 50mg tablet); or 3 tablets per day (100mg tablet).	Yes

Antidiabetic Agents, DPP-IV Inhibitors

Drug Name	Label Name	Drug Strength	Formulation	Formulary Comments	Medi-Cal
Alogliptin, Alog-Metformin, Alog-Pioglitazone	Alogliptin, Alog-Metformin, Alog-Pioglitazone	6.25mg, 12.5mg, 25mg, 12.5-500mg, 12.5-1000mg, 12.5-15mg, 12.5-30mg, 12.5-45mg, 25-15mg, 25-30mg, 25-45mg	Tablet	Remove prior authorization. Add step therapy requiring trial of metformin in the last 120 days	Yes

Antidiabetic Agents, SGLT-2 Inhibitors

Drug Name	Label Name	Drug Strength	Formulation	Formulary Comments	Medi-Cal
Empagliflozin	Jardiance	10mg, 25mg	Tablet	Add to Medi-Cal formulary with prior authorization.	Yes
Empagliflozin-metformin, Empagmetformin ER	Synjardy, Synjardy XR	5-500mg, 12.5-500mg, 5-1000mg, 12.5-1000mg tablet, 10-1000mg, 5-1000mg, 25-1000mg XR		Add to Medi-Cal formulary with prior authorization	Yes

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Antidiabetic Agents, TZDs					
Drug Name	**Label Name**	**Drug Strength**	**Formulation**	**Formulary Comments**	**Medi-Cal**
Pioglatazone HC1	Pioglatazone HC1	15mg, 30mg, 45mg	Tablet	Remove step therapy requirement.	Yes

Antiemetics					
Drug Name	**Label Name**	**Drug Strength**	**Formulation**	**Formulary Comments**	**Medi-Cal**
Aprepitant	Aprepitant	40mg, 80mg, 125mg, 125mg-80mg	Capsule	Add to Medi-Cal formulary with prior authorization.	Yes
Dronabinol	Dronabinol	2.5mg, 5mg, 10mg	Capsule	Add to Medi-Cal formulary with prior authorization.	Yes

Antivirals - Hepatitis C					
Drug Name	**Label Name**	**Drug Strength**	**Formulation**	**Formulary Comments**	**Medi-Cal**
Glecaprevir-pibrentasvir	Mavyret	100-40mg	Tablet	Remove from Medi-Cal formulary	Yes
Sofobuvir-velpatasvir	Sofobuvir-velpatasvir (generic for Epclusa)	400-100mg	Tablet	Add to Medi-Cal formulary with prior authorization.	Yes